Mountain Weather Forecast

Snowdonia National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 21 Oct 2022 until 23:59 on Saturday 22 Oct 2022

Forecast Issued on Friday 21 Oct 2022 at 02:56

Confidence: High for mild and often wet conditions through the forecast period. Lower confidence for exact rainfall timings and extent at this stage, make sure to keep updated with the latest forecast.

Headline for Friday 21 Oct 2022: Mostly cloudy with showers, heavy at times. Windy on the tops and mild.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 21 Oct 2022

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Medium Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Medium Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy rain showers (night)	Thundery showers	Thundery showers	Thundery showers	Heavy rain showers	Heavy rain showers (night)
Precipitation probability					
80%	80%	80%	80%	80%	70%

Forecast for Friday 21 Oct 2022

Weather: Friday will be mainly cloudy with frequent but generally quick moving showers spreading up from the southwest, these often heavy with a risk of hail and lightning. Strong southerly/south-easterly winds and the chance of showers merging to give persistent rain at times will bring some poor conditions on the hills. Some brief bright intervals between showers but generally fairly limited.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 40%.

Low Cloud and visibility: Areas of cloud blowing across the park seeing bases down to 300-400m at times through much of the day, giving some very poor visibilities over the higher ground at times. Below the cloud, visibilities rather hazy, and often poor in showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	39/46 SE	32/41 SE	32/41 S	30/38 S	29/38 S	33/43 S	37/49 SW
600	29/36 SE	24/32 SE	23/32 SE	22/30 S	21/30 S	24/34 S	26/37 SW
300	23/37 SE	16/29 SE	16/28 SE	16/27 S	15/27 S	16/30 S	18/33 SW
Valley	23/37 SE	17/31 SE	17/29 SE	16/28 SE	14/26 S	14/26 S	16/30 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	8/2	9/4	9/5	9/5	9/4	9/4	8/2
600	10/6	11/7	12/8	12/8	11/7	10/7	10/5
300	12/8	13/10	14/12	14/11	13/10	12/10	12/9
Valley	13/9	14/11	16/13	16/13	14/12	14/11	13/10
Freezing Level*	2400m	2400m	2400m	2300m	2400m	2400m	2300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Frequent blustery and heavy showers will give some locally poor conditions for the park through the day, particularly if you get unlucky and showers merge to give longer spells of rain with little chance of waterproofs drying and the risk that watercourses may become swollen making some paths dangerous to navigate if heavy rain persists for long enough. Strong gusty winds are also a hazard, particularly around showers and care should be taken on exposed ground.

Forecast for Saturday 22 Oct 2022

Weather: Outbreaks of rain clearing later in the night. A drier and brighter day is then expected with sunny spells and isolated showers into the afternoon. Showers becoming more frequent and heavy late afternoon or evening with a chance of thunder. Very mild conditions but strong on exposed tops and ridges in the morning.

Maximum wind: South or Southwest 25 to 30mph with gusts to 40-45mph on the tops in the morning, easing to 15 to 20mph gusts 30mph during the afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 40% overnight, becoming 80% in the morning, reducing to 60% in evening.

Low Cloud and visibility: Patches of cloud above 400 or 500m overnight, largely clearing by morning. Generally good visibility during the day with cloud lifting above summits but poor at times in evening showers as cloud thickens.

Temperature: **Valleys:** 12 Celsius rising to 16 or 17 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 9 rising to 11 Celsius.
Freezing level: Well above summits.

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